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### Abstract

Material detailing negative impacts of strikes.

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## Everyone LOSES In A Strike!

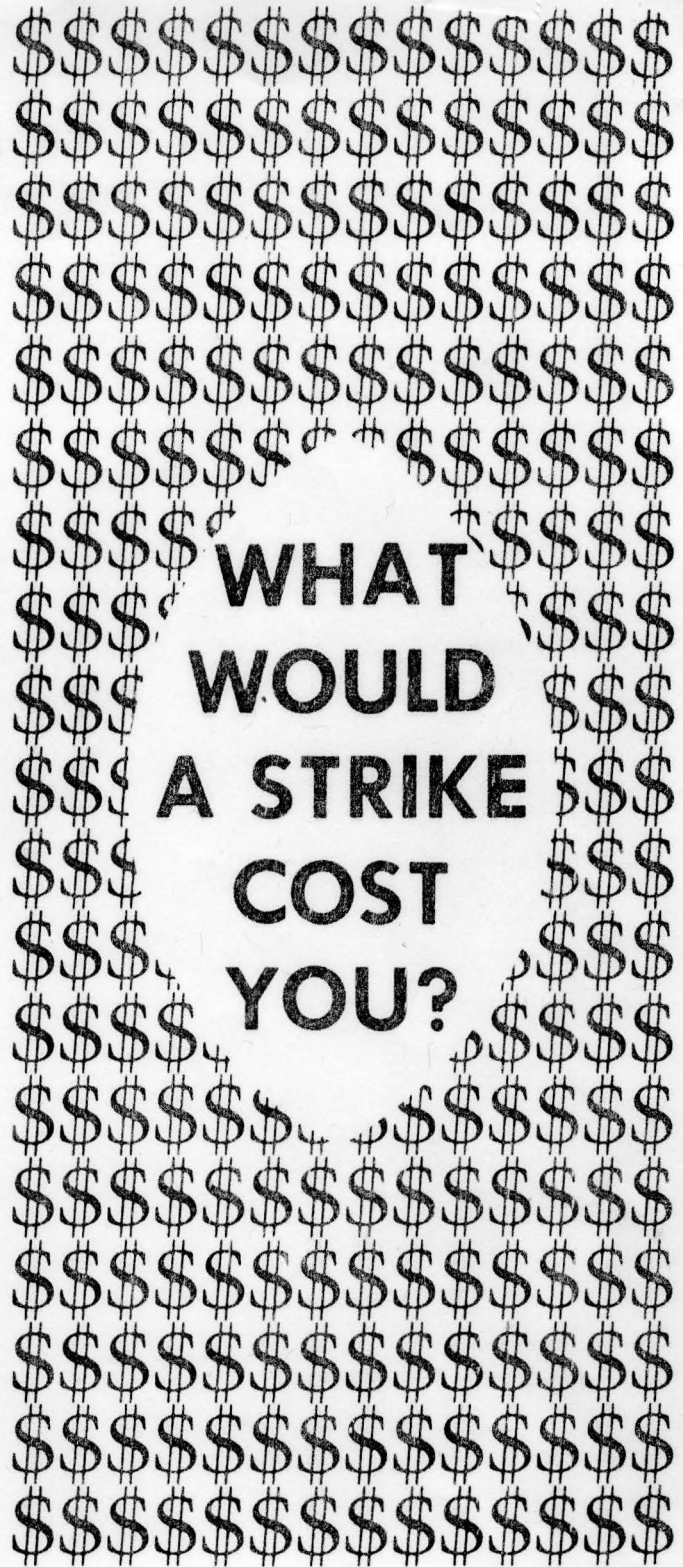
- EMPLOYEES lose pay checks, and it takes a long time to recover the loss.
- The COMMUNITY, its merchants and stores lose the benefit of payroll dollars.
- The COMPANY loses production, sales and often customers. Money which might be available for more jobs and expansion is lost.

UNIONS claim a strike is their strongest economic weapon, but some UNION LEADERS use strike threats and strikes with complete disregard for how it will affect employees.

UNION LEADERS lose no paychecks during a strike.

These same UNION LEADERS generally "call the shots" on when to strike and for how long.

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# Before You Go On Strike, Or Vote To Strike, Think About

## What It Will Cost You!

Use This Strike-Cost Table To Figure Out Your Money Loss —

- If your take-home pay is \$300 a week and you strike for a 10 cents an hour increase, the table shows it will take you 75 weeks to get back your one-week's money loss — if the strike is settled in one week and you do get the 10 cents an hour increase.
- If the strike lasts longer than one week, simply multiply the number of weeks on the table by the number of weeks the strike lasts to find out how long it will take you to recover your money loss.

### Example:

A three-week strike under the above circumstances would take you 4 years and 17 weeks ( $75 \times 3 = 225$  weeks) to recover your money loss.

— If the strike fails to get the increase sought, you **never** recover the money lost during the strike.

## For Every Week You Strike — In The Hope of Getting

An Hourly Increase Of ➡		0¢	3¢	5¢	10¢	25¢	50¢
		It Will Take You This Long To Get Back What You Lost					
If your present take-home pay is:	You Will LOSE						
\$120	\$120	Never*	100 Weeks	60 Weeks	30 Weeks	12 Weeks	6 Weeks
\$140	\$140	Never*	117 Weeks	70 Weeks	35 Weeks	14 Weeks	7 Weeks
\$160	\$160	Never*	133 Weeks	80 Weeks	40 Weeks	16 Weeks	8 Weeks
\$180	\$180	Never*	150 Weeks	90 Weeks	45 Weeks	18 Weeks	9 Weeks
\$200	\$200	Never*	167 Weeks	100 Weeks	50 Weeks	20 Weeks	10 Weeks
\$220	\$220	Never*	183 Weeks	110 Weeks	55 Weeks	22 Weeks	11 Weeks
\$240	\$240	Never*	200 Weeks	120 Weeks	60 Weeks	24 Weeks	12 Weeks
\$260	\$260	Never*	217 Weeks	130 Weeks	65 Weeks	26 Weeks	13 Weeks
\$280	\$280	Never*	233 Weeks	140 Weeks	70 Weeks	28 Weeks	14 Weeks
\$300	\$300	Never*	250 Weeks	150 Weeks	75 Weeks	30 Weeks	15 Weeks
\$320	\$320	Never*	267 Weeks	160 Weeks	80 Weeks	32 Weeks	16 Weeks
\$340	\$340	Never*	283 Weeks	170 Weeks	85 Weeks	34 Weeks	17 Weeks
\$360	\$360	Never*	300 Weeks	180 Weeks	90 Weeks	36 Weeks	18 Weeks
\$380	\$380	Never*	317 Weeks	190 Weeks	95 Weeks	38 Weeks	19 Weeks
\$400	\$400	Never*	333 Weeks	200 Weeks	100 Weeks	40 Weeks	20 Weeks

\* Strike failed to obtain hoped-for increase (and this does happen).

If a strike lasts several weeks, just multiply by number of weeks . . . **THINK HARD!**

16  
8  
128 weeks  
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